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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: the application of
Kazuo Uchida and Shinichi Mashiba

Serial No.: 09/619,148

Before the
Application Branch

Filed: 07/19/2000

For: METHOD FOR DETECTING LOW DENSITY
LIPOPROTEIN (LDL) OR DENATURED LOW
DENSITY LIPOPROTEIN IN BLOOD

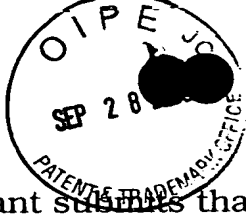
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Parts. Applicant submits that this is the correct charge that is applicable in view of the fact that applicant qualifies as a small entity. Applicant mailed a Small Entity Declaration executed by the Applicant to the Patent and Trademark Office on September 13, 2000, and a Request for Refund of the appropriate part of the original filing fee, as this application was filed as a large entity. A copy of the Small Entity Declaration and Request for Refund is also attached hereto.

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Attached please find the certified copies of the foreign applications from which priority is claimed for this case:

Country: Japan

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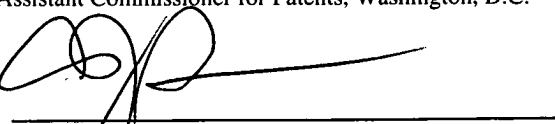
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